

GEORGIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS
Conference Call/ZOOM Board Meeting Minutes
January 20, 2023

The Georgia Board of Examiners of Psychologists met via teleconference/ZOOM Friday, January 20, 2023. The Board's Executive Director hosted the meeting from the Professional Licensing Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

Members Present:

Linda F. Campbell, Ph.D. – Vice-President
William F. Doverspike, Ph.D.
Emily Burton, Ph.D.
George Bratcher, Consumer Member

Members Absent:

Marsha B. Sauls, Ph.D. – President
Scott C. Smith, Psy.D.

Administrative Staff Present:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist
Amanda Allen, Licensing Supervisor
Sarah Collett, Licensing Analyst

Assistant Attorney General:

Bryon Thernes, AAG
Elizabeth Simpson, AAG (Exec. Session)

Visitors Present: (Open Session)

Dr. Gayle Spears, Ph.D., GPA
Dr. Becky Beaton-York, GPA
Rachel Anne Kieran, Psy.D.
Dr. Kayla Phillips
Rachel Ammirati- Emory School of Medicine

Dr. Marsha Sauls, President, established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m.

Agenda: Approve with no additional items

Georgia Psychological Association - Liaison Report:

Dr. Spears provided updates on ongoing GPA activities and upcoming events.

Petition for Rule Waiver/Variance:

- S. Whitson – Rule 510-5-.10

Recommendation:

Grant as discussed

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition for S. Whitson as discussed and presented. None opposed, motion carried

Correspondence:

- GPA – RE CE Hours – *Discussed during GPA liaison report with Dr. Gayle Spears.*
- ASBBP 2022 Annual Meeting Summary – *Board Information Only*
- K. Nummendor – PDSWE Question- *Please refer to Board Rule 510-2-.05 (5)(a)(5)(iii) and (iv)*

Dr. Doverspike motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the Board voted to respond to all correspondences as presented. None opposed, motion carried

Meeting Minutes:

- December 16, 2022 C.C./Zoom Board Meeting

Recommendation:

Approve as Presented

Mr. Bratcher motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the Board voted to approve the December 16, 2022 Conference Call/Zoom Board meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Application Ratify List: Issued Date: 12/17/2022 - 1/18/2023

License No.	Licensee
PS-T001108	Shannon Helm Hanaki
PS-T001109	Nathasha Cole Hahn
PS-T001110	Stephen Correia
PSY004669	Claire Holland Foster
PSY004670	Heather Leigh Cygan
PSY004671	Mayra A Rodriguez-Figueroa
PSY004672	Nathasha Cole Hahn
PSY004673	Laura Marie
PSY004674	Garrick Keilan Rickard
PSY004675	Tayler Nichole Turnquist

Dr. Burton motioned, Mr. Bratcher seconded, and the Board voted to approve the ratification list as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Bratcher motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the Board voted to enter Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k) (1) (2), §43-1-2-(k) (3) (4), §50-14-2(1) and §43-1-2 (k) (4) to review the Cognizant (complaint) and AG reports, review the prior meetings executive session minutes, review/deliberate on applications and oral exams. Voting in favor were Board members Campbell, Doverspike, Burton and Bratcher.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session on January 20, 2023, Dr. Campbell declared the meeting “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. No Board votes obtained during Executive Session.

Board Appearances:

- K.P.
- M.W.

Recommendation:

Approve for licensure
Tabled; Pending receipt of additional information

Mr. Bratcher motioned, Dr. Burton seconded, and the Board voted to approve the recommendations of the Board Appearances as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Cognizant – Complaint Report: No report presented due to Dr. Sauls absence

2020-2022 Renewal Issues:

- M.G. – Sued
- N.O. – Sued
- R.J. – Sued
- B.I. – Arrest

Recommendation:

Approve
Approve
Approve
Approve

- C.B. – Treatment Approve
- N.B. – Sued Approve
- L.B. – Sued Approve

Dr. Burton motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to approve the recommendations on the 2020-2022 renewal issues as presented . None opposed, motion carried.

Attorney General’s Report:

Bryon Thernes, Esq., AAG provided a status report for Board review and discussion.

- PSYC200010/200029 – Rescind Referral to AG’s office, Table final decision upon receipt of additional information
- PSYC210042 – Rescind Referral to AG’s office; Table for further investigation.

Dr. Bratcher motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to rescind the previous referral of PSYC200010/200029 to the Assistant Attorney General’s office as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Bratcher motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to table the final decision of PSYC200010/200029 pending receipt of additional information as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Bratcher motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to rescind the previous referral of PSYC210042 to the Assistant Attorney General’s office as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Bratcher motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to table the final decision of PSYC210042 pending receipt of additional information as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Burton motioned, Dr. Bratcher seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Assistant Attorney General’s reports as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Applications:

- R.P.
- L.H.
- M.C.
- C.B.
- B.A.
- K.H.
- Z.D.
- S.M.

Recommendation:

- Approve to sit for exam(s)

Mr. Bratcher motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to approve the recommendations on all applications as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Board Administered Oral Exams:

- A.K.
- S.C.
- E.G.
- J.R.

Recommendation:

- Pass; Issue License
- Pass; Issue License
- Pass; Issue License
- Pass; Issue License

- C.H. Pass; Issue License
- K.R. Pass; Issue License
- T.D. Pass; Issue License
- W.S.M. Pass; Issue License

Dr. Burton motioned, Mr. Bratcher seconded, and the Board voted to approve the recommendations on all oral examination candidates. None opposed, motion carried.

Executive Session Meeting Minutes:

- December 16, 2022 C.C./ZOOM Board Meeting

Recommendation:

Approve as presented

Mr. Bratcher motioned, Dr. Doverspike seconded, and the Board voted to approve the December 16, 2022 ZOOM Executive Session Board meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed, and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

MARSHA SAULS, Ph.D.

President

BRIG ZIMMERMAN

Executive Director Healthcare 1

Minutes approved on: **February 24, 2023**